Slowly in Solution of

Balkans Puzzle.

Powers Agree on Autonomy

for Albania and Adriatic

Seaport for Servia-Turkey

Consents to Meet Greek

Delegates.

ONE MILESTONE

RICHMOND, VA., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1912.

Importance Forthcoming Until March 1.

WEIGES MERITS OF CANDIDATES

at Liberty to Make Any Final Decision Until He Has Heard and Considered All Claims of Various Aspirants.

Elect Wilson will be appointed to por

Memory of Ambassador Reid.

CONGREGATION IS NOTABLE ONE

President-Elect Does Not Feel Royalty, Government and Every Ambassadors of Six Great Class of Public Life Represented in Sombre-Clad Throng in Historic Cathedral-Archbishops Conduct Impressive Memorial Ceremonies.

No Announcement of High Honors Paid to Diplomats Progress Ambassador Wilson Leaves Without Note of Protest.

BEING PREPARED WITH GREAT CARE HAS BEEN PASSED

Government Hopes to Produce Brief Which President Madero Must Answer With Promise Fairly and Fully to Protect Americans and Their

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been accorded to any but British subjects of great distinction.

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paper estimates the cost of the war at which has extensive properties fifty si75,000,000, using as a basis of reckening the fact that there are 1.090,000 men under arms 400,000 Turks, 300,000 Mexico. The letters presented were from a Mr. Traeger, manager of the Buigarians, 200,000 Servians, 150,000 Los Arcos Company, and described a condition of continued turbulence and an average expense of 10 shillings daily for each man.

SOLEMN SERVICE MAKING ADVANCE MOVING SLOWLY JOHN E. BUTLER, DISCHARGED IN FAMOUS ABBEY AT SNAIL'S PACE AGAINST MEXICO DEPUTY, NAMED BY NEW BOARD TO SUCCEED INSPECTOR BECK

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Wire Sys- "I Am' Not Running a Barroom," Won'te He Says, Regarding Dismissal of Butler.

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Short Notice.

First Deputy Building Inspector John Butter was femoved from office yes terday by Building Inspector Beck for the stem f

Bricklayer and Politician Is Choice of Folkes, Hirschberg and Whittet for Building Inspector.

COUNCILMAYTEST COMPETENCY OF NEW OFFICIAL

Civil Service Plan for Examina tion of All Candidates Gets Scant Consideration at Secret Caucus-Cut and Dried Program Rushed Through, Despite Request of Architects' Association and Real Estate Exchange for Selection of Best Qualified Man-E. W. Trafford Is Named as Permanent Superintendent of City Electric Plant.

Affront, Savs Beck

Feeling assured that I was elected to the Administrative Board largely on the record that I have made as Building Inspector, and because of the knowledge I have of the affairs of that office, I feel that the people of Richmond who elected me have been given a direct affront by the election this afternoon by the Administrative Board, as Building Inspector, of a man who I do not think is fitted for the position, either by training or habits, and whom I discharged as one of my deputies.

(Signed) HENRY P. BECK.

John E. Butler, a deputy once dis-harged from the office of the Building

charged from the office of the Building Inspector an charges of drunkenness, was yesterday afternoon elected Building Inspector of Richmond by the new Administrative Board.

Mr. Builer is a bricklayer by trade, having once been president of the Bricklayers' Union. The accompanying illustration is a reprint from The Times-Dispatch of March 8, 1911, giving Building Inspector Beck's reason for the discharge of Mr. Butler, stating that he was "not running a baring that he was "not running a bar-room" and that "after repeated warn-ings he could no longer tolerate such tervice."

How They Voted.

The only bailot taken in the Adminstrative Board stood:

For Allen J. Savine, an assistant cry Engineer—Captain McCarthy.

For Marcellus E. Wright, the nom-ince of the Architects' Association of Richmond—Building Inspector Heck.

By a vote of four to one the board then elected E. W. Trafford, the pres-

In Secret Session.

The meeting was held in secret in the office of Captain McCarthy, at the Capitol, newspaper men who applied for admission being excluded. At its close Chairman Whittet merely author-Indianapolis, Ind. December 20.— for admission being excluded. At its close Chairman Whittet merely authorized the McNamara brothers by 100 and Trafford had been elected, declinating the control and trafford had been elected and trafford had been

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